cil, and K. Krishna Iyer, Commercial Association, Bangalore.

Mr. Krishna Iyer and *Mr. Krishna Sastri* prayed that the Government might take early steps in the matter.

Reply of Government.—Government are willing to afford help to private agencies who may undertake the work. Will be noted for consideration especially in regard to the *malnad* where large areas are available for settling criminal gangs.

SUBJECT No. 39.

Gun licenses.

Mr. M. Venkataramiah, Manjarabad taluk.

Summary of discussion.—As per existing rules, only the gun licensee is permitted to carry his gun and the names of the servants are not now being shown in the 3rd column of the gun license. In the malnad, the estate owners are the licensees and they find it necessary to entrust their guns to their servants to guard the estates and protect themselves from wild beasts. It is prayed that the rules may be so modified as to authorise the licensees to entrust their guns to their servants on the responsibility of the licensees.

Reply of Government—The form and rules in force in British India will be adopted.

SUBJECT No. 40.

Renewal of gun licenses.

Messrs. C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur taluk; and Javali Ganesa Rao, Mudgere taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Gun licenses may be renewed by the Amildar once in two years instead of annually, as at present.

Reply of Government.—There does not seem to be any *prima facie* objection to this. The matter will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 41.

Attendance of females in criminal courts.

Mr. Lingappa, Chitaldrug municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Females belonging to respectable families are forced to attend courts either as accused or as witnesses. It may be ordered that such females be tried or examined at their own residences on payment of a fixed fee therefor.

Mr. Lingappa brought to notice that in 2 or 3 cases in the Chitaldrug Taluk Magistrate's Court, such inconvenience was felt. He was asked to specify cases in writing and address the Secretary to Government on the subject.

Mr. M. C. Rangiengar said that Magistrates did not use their discretion properly when the accused persons are *gosha* ladies and *Mr. S. R. Balakrishna Rao* added that ladies are sometimes dragged into court as accused or cited as witnesses with a bad motive.

Reply of Government.—There are many difficulties in the way of adopting the proposal.

SUBJECT No. 42.

Classification and qualification of legal practitioners.

(a) Messrs. C. Chennakesavaiya, Krishi Silpabhi Vardhaka Samaj, Chitaldrug, and Sanjeeva Rao, Chitaldrug taluk, and

Summary of discussion.—(a) At present, there are 3 classes of practitioners, Advocates, First Grade Pleaders and Second Grade Pleaders. Many Second Grade Pleaders are in no way inferior to some First Grade Pleaders. The Matriculation Examination is superseded by the